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In re Application of:
Solomon et al.
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DECISION ON PETITION TO
WITHDRAW THE HOLDING
OF ABANDONMENT

This is in response to applicants' petition under 37 CFR. § 1.181 filed on May 4, 2004, requesting withdrawal of the holding of abandonment based non-receipt of an Office action and to restore the application to a pending status.

A review of the file history shows that the Office mailed an Office action, setting a three month statutory time period for reply, to applicants on October 1, 2003. As the six months statutory period for response is up, this application is technically abandoned. A review of the file history shows that the Office action of October 1, 2003 was mailed to the incorrect correspondence address. In view of this error, this application is restored to pending status with the mailing date of this decision.

Applicants' petition is **GRANTED**.

This application will be forwarded to the examiner for prompt mailing of a new Office action.

Should there be any questions about this decision, please contact Marianne C. Seidel by letter addressed to Director, TC 1600, at the address listed above, or by telephone at 571-272-0584 or by facsimile at 703-872-9306.

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